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1. DEPARTMENT AND BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION HAVE REVIEWED
PROPOSED DRAFT AGREEMENT REFTEL.

2. WE PROPOSE TO INSERT "OR MEMORIAL" IN ARTICLE II, PARA
3 OF DRAFT NOTE WHICH WOULD THEN READ "PARA 3. THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AGREES THAT IT WILL NOT
ALLOW ANY THIRD PARTY THE USE OF THE PROPERTY, OR ANY POR-
TION THEREOF, INVOLVED IN THIS AGREEMENT AND THAT SHOULD
THE PROPERTY, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, CEASE TO BE USED FOR
CEMETERIAL OR MEMORIAL PURPOSES IT WILL REVERT TO THE USE
OR BE AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
THE PHILIPPINES."

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3. WE NOTE ARTICLE 6 OF 1971 DRAFT HAS BEEN DROPPED FROM

NEW AGREEMENT. UNLESS EMBASSY HAS OBJECTIONS WE WOULD PROPOSE REINSERTION OF THIS ARTICLE. ARTICLE READS AS FOLLOWS
"ARTICLE VI. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

MAY EMPLOY SUCH NATIONALS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AS ARE NECESSARY FOR CARRYING OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS AGREEMENT IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SOCIAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.

4. IF FOREGOING CHANGES ACCEPTABLE TO EMBASSY, YOU MAY PROCEED WITH INFORMAL SOUNDINGS OF GOP RE POSSIBILITY OF NEGOTIATING SUCH AN AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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